

Abstract of the Disclosure:

An insulator (40) retains a plurality of conductive signal contacts (10) arrayed in a first direction (A1) for contacting with signal contacts of a counterpart connector, and further retains a conductive ground plate (20). The ground plate is arranged so as to be spaced apart from the signal contacts and has a plurality of ground contacts (24, 25) for contacting with ground contacts of the counterpart connector. These ground contacts are arrayed in the first direction and joined to each other via a joining portion (21). A connection piece (32, 33) extends from a part of the joining portion in the same direction as each of the ground contacts. The connection piece contacts with a conductive shell (60) formed separately from the ground plate and covering the insulator.